

Appln. No.: 10/091,576
Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

REMARKS

Statement of Substance of Interview

On November 18, 2005, Applicants' representative contacted Examiner Cain to request clarification of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112 in the Non-final Office Action dated August 24, 2005. In particular, claim 1 was not included in the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112 in the body of the Office Action. However, claim 1 was listed as rejected on the Office Action Summary page of the Office Action. The Examiner stated that claim 1 should not have been included in the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112 contained in the Non-final Office Action dated August 24, 2005, but should have been indicated as allowed. Applicants thank the Examiner for this clarification.

Response to Non-final Office Action

Claim 4 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 8, which has been canceled.

Claim 13 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 17, which has been canceled.

The preamble of claims 13, 15, and 16 have been amended for the purposes of clarification.

Upon entry of the Amendment, claims 1, 3-7, 9-11, 13, 15-16 are pending in the application.

Claims 3, 5, 7, 13 and 15-17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite.

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The Examiner asserts that claims 3 (and claim 5 through its dependency on claim 3) is unclear because the language “method for producing a film-like material made of a resin as claimed in claim 1.”

Applicants have amended the preamble of claim 3 to recite, “The method as claimed in claim 1.” Applicants submit that claim 3 (and claim 5 through its dependency on claim 3) is clear and definite.

The Examiner asserts that claims 13 (and claims 15-17 through their dependence on claim 13) recite “(formula 6) twice.

Applicants have deleted the first recitation of (formula 6) in claim 13. Applicants submit that claim 13 is clear and definite.

The Examiner asserts that claim 7 recites a molecular chain length of 2850 nm. The Examiner does not understand how Applicants can determine a chain length to the nearest nm.

Applicants have amended claim 7 to recite, “as determined by GPC measurement under o-dichlorobenzene at 140°C.” Applicants submit that the determination of a chain length to the nearest nm is clear based on this amendment. Therefore, claim 7 is clear and definite.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection of claims 3, 5, 7, 13 and 15-17.

Claims 4-6, 13, 15 and 16 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Isozaki et al. (“Isozaki”).

Claims 8 and 17 have not been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) based on Isozaki. Applicants have amended claim 4 to include the recitations in claim 8 and claim 13 to include

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the recitations of claim 17. Accordingly, claim 4 and 13 and the claims depending therefrom are not anticipated by Isozaki.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection.

Claims 8-11 have been objected to as allegedly being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

Claim 8 has been canceled.

Claim 9 is already written in independent form. Therefore, it is improper that the Examiner objected to claim 9 as being dependent on a rejected base claim.

Claims 10-11 depend from claim 9, which should be allowable. Accordingly, claims 10-11 should not be rejected as allegedly being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

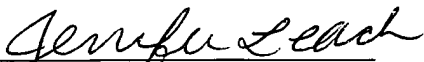
In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the objections.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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